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SUBJECT: OAU ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA GOOD OFFICERS COMMITTEE MEETS ONCE
AGAIN WITHOUT POSITIVE RESULTS

REF: KHARTOUM 3215

SUMMARY: OAU GOOD OFFICES COMMITTEE ON THIO-SOMALIA
DISPUTE MET MORNING JULY 17. BOTH SIDES REPORTED THEIR
NON-NEGOTIABLE DEMANDS, WITH VERY LITTLE VARIATION ON PAST
THEMES. MEETING APPEARED TO ACHIEVE NOTHING EXCEPT OAU
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BUREAUCRATIC REQUIREMENT FOR REPORT ON "PROGRESS" OF
MEDIATION EFFORTS TO BE PRESENTED AT SUMMIT. SOMALIA HAS
ADDED ONE NEW WRINKLE, AN INTERNATIONALLY SUPERVISED
REFERENDUM FOR SELF-DETERMINATION OF PEOPLE IN OGADEN,
WHICH AMOUNTS TO INTERFERENCE IN ETHIOPIA'S INTERNAL
AFFAIRS. ETHIOPIA'S ADHERENCE TO OAU CHARTER PRINCIPLES
AND SOMALIA'S EFFORTS TO CIRCUMVENT THEM, HAS ISOLATED

THE LATTER AND GENERATED SUPPORT FOR FORMER MAONG OAU
DELEGATIONS. END SUMMARY

1. SOMALI DIPLOMATIC SOURCE STATED THAT HIS DELEGATION
HAD SUBMITTED FOUR CONDITIONS WHICH NEEDED TO BE FULFILLED
FOR PEACE TO BE ACHIEVED IN ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA/OGADEN DISPUTE.
THESE ARE:

(A) WITHDRAWAL OF ALL FOREIGN TROOPS FROM
DISPUTED AREA.

(B) CESSATION OF ETHIOPIAN AIR RAIDS AND LAND
ATTACKS INTO SOMALIA. (SOMALI DELEGATE CLAIMED ETHIOPIA
CREATING PROVOCATION AND USING EXCUSE THAT SOMALIA IS HELPING
WESTERN SOMALI LIBERATION FRONT (WSLF), TO JUSTIFY RESUMPTION
OF FULL-SCALE WAR. HOWEVER, SOMALIA IS ONLY PROVIDING
"MORAL AND HUMANISTIC" SUPPORT TO WSLF, ACCORDING TO DELEGATE.)

(C) CESSATION BY ETHIOPIA OF MASSIVE AND WANTON

DESTRUCTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY, WHICH IS CREATING REFUGEE
PROBLEM IN AREA.

(D) RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION BE GIVEN TO
PEOPLE IN AREA (OGADEN) THROUGH INTERNATIONALLY SUPERVISED
REFERENDUM, RESULTS OF WHICH SOMALIA PLEDGES TO RESPECT,
EVEN IF IT IS FAVORABLE TO ETHIOPIA.

2. SOMALI DIPLOMAT SAID ETHIOPIA SUBMITTED THREE PROPOSALS
ON ITS BEHALF. THESE ARE:
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(A) ABANDONMENT BY SOMALIA OF ALL
TERRITORIAL CLAIMS ON ETHIOPIA TERRITORY.

(B) CESSATION OF SOMALI INTERFERENCE IN ETHIOPIA'S
INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

(C) SOMALI PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION FOR ALL
DAMAGES RESULTING FROM OGADEN WAR.

3. COMMENT: GOOD OFFICES COMMITTEE REPORT IS BEING DRAFTED
FOR PRESENTATION TO SUMMIT AND IT NOT YET KNOWN IF IT WILL
INCLUDE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HEADS OF STATE. IT MOST
LIKELY THAT REPORT WILL BE COMPENDIUM OF OAU EFFORTS TO
RESOLVE ETHIOPIA/SOMALIA CONFLICT, URGING BOTH SIDES TO
RESPECT PRINCIPLES OF OAU CHARTER, NAMELY RESPECT FOR
TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY. TWO SIDES REMAIN AS UNCOMPROMISINGLY
FAR APART AS BEFORE.
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